

Ordinance No. 18224-08-2008

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GRANTS FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$228,362, SUBJECT TO RECEIPT OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2008 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, A PORTION OF WHICH WILL BE EXPENDED TO PURCHASE LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFFING SOFTWARE AND RADIOS FOR USE BY THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, AND THE REMAINDER OF WHICH WILL BE DISBURSED BY THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, AS THE COGNIZANT FISCAL AGENCY WITH REGARD TO APPLYING FOR AND DISBURSING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE GRANT, TO TARRANT COUNTY AND THE CITY OF ARLINGTON PURSUANT TO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; MAKING THIS ORDINANCE CUMULATIVE OF PRIOR ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS:

SECTION 1.

That, in addition to those amounts allocated to the various City departments for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 and in the Budget of the City Manager, there shall also be increased estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Fund in the amount of \$228,362 subject to receipt of the Fiscal Year 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, a portion of which will be expended to purchase law enforcement staffing software and radios for use by the City of Fort Worth, and the remainder of which will be disbursed by the City of Fort Worth, as the cognizant fiscal agency with regard to applying for and disbursing funds in connection with the grant, to Tarrant County and the City of Arlington, pursuant to an interlocal agreement.

SECTION 2.

That should any portion, section or part of a section of this ordinance be declared invalid, inoperative or void for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision, opinion or judgment shall in no way impair the remaining portions, sections, or parts of sections of this ordinance, which said remaining provisions shall be and remain in full force and effect.

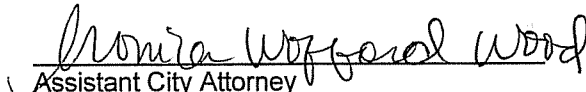
SECTION 3.

That this ordinance shall be cumulative of Ordinance No. 17749 and all other ordinances and appropriations amending the same except in those instances where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with such other ordinances and appropriations, in which instance said conflicting provisions of said prior ordinances and appropriations are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 4.

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:


Assistant City Attorney

ADOPTED AND EFFECTIVE: August 19, 2008

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved on 8/19/2008 - Ord. No. 18224-08-2008

DATE: Tuesday, August 19, 2008
LOG NAME: 35JAGFY08

REFERENCE NO.: G-16247

SUBJECT:

Conduct Public Hearing and Authorize the Application for and Acceptance of a \$228,362.00 Fiscal Year 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance; Authorize the Execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County and the City of Arlington; Authorize the City of Fort Worth to Serve as the Cognizant Fiscal Agency; and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Conduct a public hearing regarding the application for the Fiscal Year 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant to allow the public an opportunity to comment as required under the grant application;
2. Authorize the City Manager to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance for Fiscal Year 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, not to exceed \$228,362.00;
3. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Interlocal Agreement to have the City of Fort Worth serve as the cognizant fiscal agency for the purpose of administering this grant; and
4. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Fund by \$228,362.00, subject to receipt of the grant.

DISCUSSION:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program allows state and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent crime and to improve the criminal justice system. The City of Fort Worth, along with City of Arlington is required to negotiate with Tarrant County to develop a program budget and strategy. All funds must be pooled, a spending plan must be developed and one agency must serve as the cognizant jurisdiction to apply for and disperse funds. A committee of all impacted law enforcement agencies developed an application strategy and the City of Fort Worth was selected to serve as the cognizant fiscal agency as it has for the past three years in connection with Justice Assistance Grants.

A total of \$228,362.00 is available to be shared among Fort Worth, Arlington and Tarrant County and will be distributed in the following manner:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Funding Purpose</u>
Tarrant County	\$36,538.00 Mental Health Liaison and Adult Drug Court
City of Arlington	\$70,922.00 Purchase of 22 Tactical Carbine Rifles and Four Three-Wheeled

Scooters for Special Events
City of Fort Worth \$120,902.00 Purchase Law Enforcement Staffing Software and Eight
Radios for Ministers Against Crime/Clergy and Police Alliance

No matching funds are required. Fort Worth is responsible for submitting the full grant application and will upon receipt of the grant funds, distribute funding to Tarrant County and Arlington, as agreed among the three entities.

FISCAL INFORMATION/CERTIFICATION:

The Finance Director certifies that upon approval of the recommendations, and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, of the Grants Fund.

TO Fund/Account/Centers

FROM Fund/Account/Centers

<u>GR76 451891 035423304000</u>	<u>\$228,362.00</u>
<u>GR76 5(VARIOUS) 035423304010</u>	<u>\$120,902.00</u>
<u>GR76 5(VARIOUS) 035423304020</u>	<u>\$36,538.00</u>
<u>GR76 5(VARIOUS) 035423304030</u>	<u>\$70,922.00</u>

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